

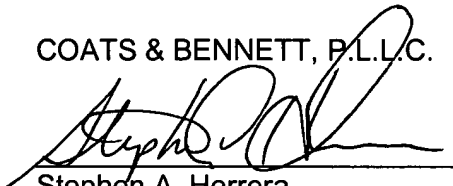
REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, Applicant wishes to note that the present application was recently transferred to the law firm of Coats and Bennett, P.L.L.C., identified by Customer No. 24112. If a Revocation and Power of Attorney is not yet on file with the Patent Office, one will be filed shortly.

The Examiner has restricted the pending claims 1-92 into two groups.¹ Group I includes claims 1-57, 83, and 87-92, and Group II includes claims 58-82 and 84-86. Applicant elects the Group I claims 1-57, 83, and 87-92 for prosecution.

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¹ Applicant notes that the restriction requirement does not indicate claims 91 and 92 as being included in either Group I or Group II. However, the Examiner clarified that claims 91 and 92 were included in the Group I claims in a telephone call on September 30, 2004.